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## **TRIAL OF THE NEWSPAPER GUNMEN WHO MURDERED FRANK WITT PUT OFF AGAIN**

*Attorney for Newspaper Trust Now Says the Newspaper  
Gunmen Were Not to Blame—History of This  
Case of Newspaper Government.*

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Is human life so cheap and newspaper pull so strong in Chicago that ex-convicts in the employ of Chicago newspapers as sluggers, gunmen and strikebreakers can murder unoffending citizens in the streets, with no fear even of going to trial?

It looks that way. Yesterday the trial of the murderers of Conductor Frank Witt, who was killed on his street car June 15, 1912, by newspaper gunmen, who had been sworn in as deputy policemen or sheriffs, was continued to the September term of court.

And no attempt has been made to punish the newspaper gunmen who murdered George Hehr, a teamster, on August 8, 1912.

For over a year the trust newspapers that hired ex-convicts and had them made deputy sheriffs and policemen to help crush locked-out and striking union workers of the newspaper offices have said little or nothing about the Witt murder.

Today, however, they run a story to the effect that another continuance was granted in the case against the newspaper murderers of Conductor Witt because John J. Healy, attorney for the Chicago Publishers' Association, has discovered evidence that the "strike riot" during which Witt was murdered was brought about by a plot to deliver Charles and Edward Barrett into the hands of a mob.

According to The Examiner, Healy now claims he can prove that Witt, the murdered man, was in a plot to deliver the Barretts into the hands of a mob; and he wanted a continuance to give him time to get a witness, Carl Maehre, here from Montana.

And The Examiner says the defense will produce forty witnesses to